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Title: Need to declare Bhusandeswar temple in Bhograi Block of Balasore Parliamentary Constituency which houses the largest Shivling in Asia be declared as a place of national and historic importance.

SHRI RABINDRA KUMAR JENA (BALASORE): Mr. Deputy-Speaker, Sir, thank you very much for giving me an opportunity to raise this issue which is of primary importance to the whole of eastern India.

There is a place called Bhusandeswar in Bhograi Block of my Parliamentary Constituency of Balasore which is home to the largest Shivling in the whole of Asia. Made of granite, it is 14 feet high and 14 feet wide. Lots of devotees throng this place every year not only from Odisha and rest of India but from several countries across Asia. However, unfortunately this place has not been developed for a long time and there is no infrastructure. My demand before the Union Government is that this Bhusandeswar temple which houses the largest Shivling in Asia be declared as a place of national and historic importance and the infrastructure necessary be created there. Thank you.